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of the *Reproductions* made
and sold by * * * * *

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FOREWORD

THE purpose of this little brochure is to bring to the notice of discriminating buyers our hand-made reproductions. ♦ Since becoming established in business we have, at various times, acquired some very notable pieces—notable in beauty of lines, excellence of construction and elegance rather than elaborateness of ornament. ♦ Many of these we have reproduced and have preserved the restraint and refinement of the originals in such a way as to make our hand-made furniture quite as well known as the work of any other makers. ♦ At the same time we have adapted the Colonial style to articles of furniture not in use in Colonial times, but we have kept these adaptations in consonance with the period while suited to modern surroundings and modern needs. ♦ We have organized this department of our business most thoroughly, and we provide the correct design, the finest materials and the best possible construction and finish; and we do all this at a moderate price. ♦ To those who love the originals we offer the largest and most happily selected stock in the West, but owing to the fact that this part of our stock is constantly changing we are unable to give any illustrations of antique pieces. ♦ We are prepared to undertake the complete furnishing of a house in the Colonial style, and we shall be pleased to give information on this subject to such as are interested.

A WORD ABOUT SPECIAL FURNITURE

♦ Frequently there is need for a special piece for a particular place. Our facilities for this sort of work are complete. Correspondence on this subject will have our careful attention and designs and estimates will be sent upon application.



No. 253. Washington Writing Table

Length, 72 inches. Height, 31 inches. Width, 37 inches.

The "Father of his Country" has certainly given us the ideal library table. Fourteen commodious drawers, a spacious top and the shelves at the ends leave little to be desired.



No. 174. Consol or Side Table

Height, 36 inches. Width, 42 inches. Depth, 21 inches. Mirror Back, 18 x 36

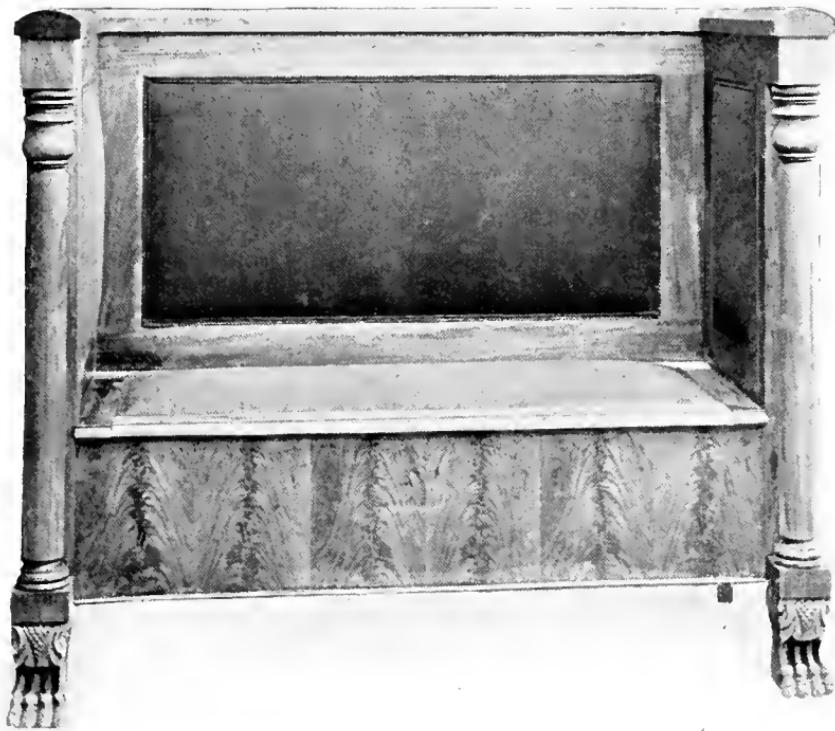
An old Southern home furnished the original of which this beautiful piece is a copy. While simple indeed, it is very satisfying.

No. 197. High-back Hall Chair

Height, 58 inches.

These are to be had in variety—some having open backs, some elaborately carved.





No. 220. Hall Settle

Height, 42 inches.

Length, 50 inches.

Depth, 22 inches.

There is an air of solidity and hospitality about this hall piece. The hinged seat discloses a commodious box.



No. 287. French Roll-end Couch

Length, 84 inches. Width, 26 inches. Height, 36 inches.
A typical Southern Colonial piece.

No. 212. Arm Chair

Adapted for use in a dining room when a set of arm chairs is desired—in fact wherever a small arm chair can be used.

No. 288. Cricket

Length, 17 inches. Height, 8 inches.
Substantially made. Has carved spindles and claw feet.



No. 105. Chair

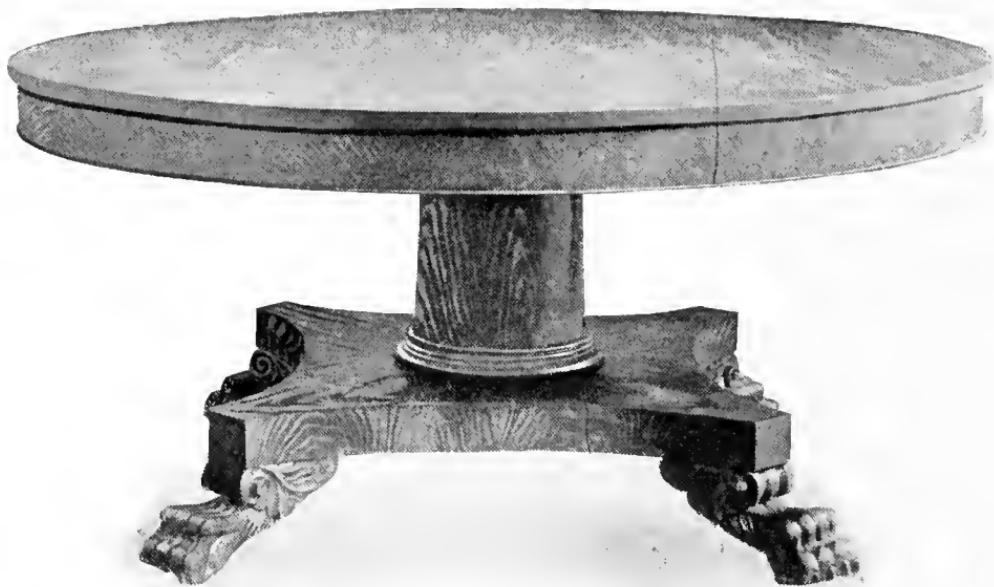
This excellent chair follows the lines of one of Chippendale's best models. Chaste and clean cut as to line, perfect in construction. Made also with arms. One of the most satisfactory dining chairs to be had.

No. 262. Desk

Height, 40 inches. Width, 36 inches. Depth, 18 inches.

Beauty and utility are charmingly combined in this Desk. The leaf and front are crotch mahogany. Opening the desk operates the slides automatically, saving one's nerves and the desk's hinges at once.

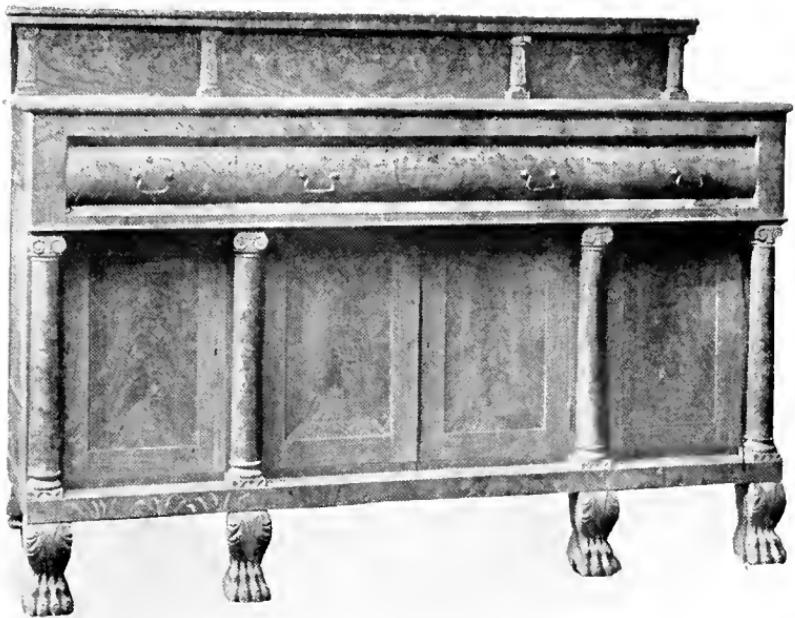




No. 199. Dining Table

Diameter of top, 60 inches.

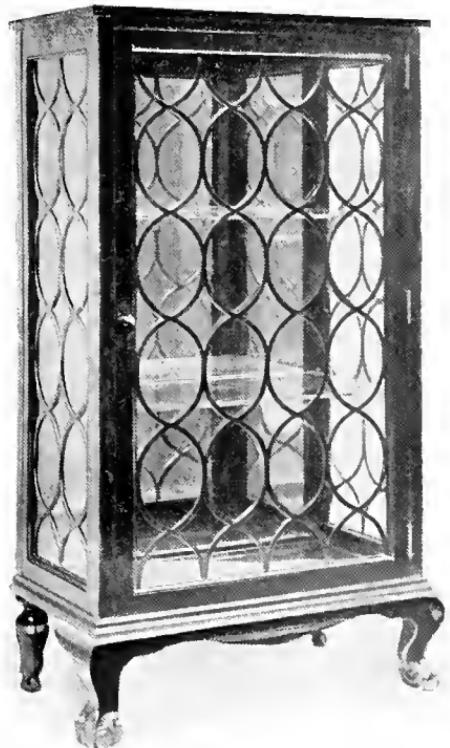
Who possesses this piece may be proud to call his friends "to sit around his mahogany." Beauty of line, fineness of construction, and finish make this table a thing of manifest elegance.



No. 102. Sideboard

Length, 72 inches. Height, 52 inches. Depth, 23 inches.

A companion piece to our No. 199 table. It is commodious without oppressive bigness.



No. 252. Glass Cabinet

Height, 54 inches.

Width, 30 inches.

Depth, 17 inches.

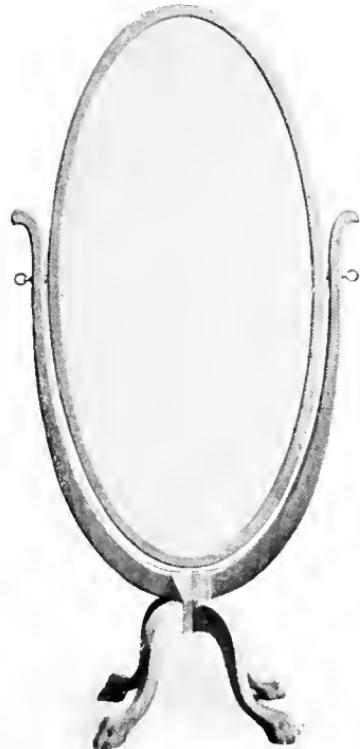
The mirror back and glass shelves make this a capital piece for the display of one's finest glass and china. Note the liberal depth.

No. 190. Ladder-back Chair

A Chippendale model, about 1760. Sturdy and strong but having excellent lines.

Side chair to match.





No. 280. Sheraton Hanging Cabinet

Length, 48 inches. Height, 36 inches. Depth, 18 inches.

Mirror back.

Suggestive of the Dendy Sadler interiors. Inlaid lines relieve the plain surfaces and the whole effect is graceful and pleasing.

No. 235. Cheval

Height, 59 inches. Glass, 24 x 52 inches.

This Cheval occupies little floor space, the glass is large, and the piece as a whole is convenient and graceful.

No. 187. Oval Table

Length, 30 inches. Width, 22 inches. Height, 27 inches.

There are innumerable uses for such a table. We make it with square top and with claw feet, or as illustrated.





No. 250. Dresser

Height of case, 36 inches.

Width 44 inches.

Depth, 21 inches.

Plain French Plate Mirror, 22 x 29
inches.

Front of case and mirror frame are
fine crotch mahogany.

Chiffoniers of several styles to match.

No. 278. Miniature High Boy

Height, 54 inches.

Width, 27 inches.

An admirable piece for one's smaller
articles of apparel. Quite as conven-
ient and somewhat more graceful than
the average chiffonier.





No. 303. Octagonal Library Table

Diameter of top, 60 inches.

None of the "old feeling" has been lost in reproducing this table. The top is solid mahogany and the base is fine crotch mahogany. We still have the original.

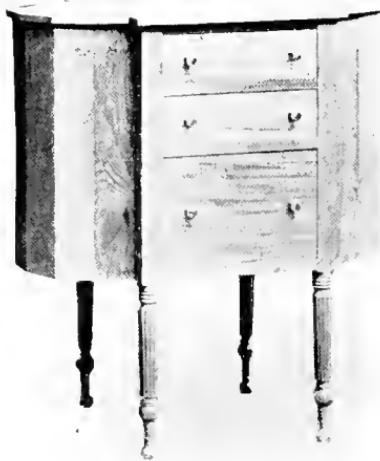
No. 252. Man's Chiffonier

Height, 48 inches. Width, 40 inches.

Depth, 25 inches.

Divisions in top drawers for neckwear, collars and cuffs. Large drawer for shirts, also divided. Trousers trays enclosed in cabinet. Have we overlooked anything for a man's convenience?





Martha Washington Sewing Table
No. 130.

Height, 28 inches. Length 27 inches.
Width, 15 inches.

Who can conceive one more practical? The deep pockets on the ends and a delightful little needle tray in the upper drawer are interesting and very useful features.



No. 181. Narrow Chiffonier

Height, 48 inches. Width, 28 inches. Depth, 21 inches.

One of a series composed of dressers with oval or square mirrors, bureaus, twin beds, chiffoniers of standard width having square or round mirrors all of fine proportions, tastefully carved, and having crotch mahogany fronts.

No. 231. Oval Writing Table

Height, 33 inches. Width 36 inches.
Depth, 22 inches.

One of our most successful pieces. It is very well adapted for use in a guest-room. There are three drawers for stationery, etc.





No. 211. Twin Beds

Length, 84 inches. Width, 44 inches.

Further enrichment than the crotch mahogany in these beds would be out of place.

Aperusal of this list may help those who want a suggestion for a gift. * Attention is called to the fact that a specialty is made of inexpensive, artistic things not found in other shops in Chicago. *

Some of the articles of furniture, both antique and modern, are: Bureaus, Chiffoniers, and Dressing Tables, Desks, Secretaries, Bookcases, Tables for all uses, Dining Room Furniture, Odd Chairs and Rockers, Mirrors—both gilt and mahogany, Stools, Palm Stands, Chippendale Jardiniers, Cheval Glasses, Consol Tables and Stately Mirrors, Twin Beds, Cabinets of all kinds, Trosseau Chests, Pedestals, etc. *

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Sheffield Plate Articles, both antique and modern, including Trays of all sizes, from small Card Trays to immense Salvers, Covered Dishes, Candle Sticks and Candelabra, Tea and Coffee Sets, Odd Tea and Coffee Pots, Platters in Sets, and numerous Solid Silver Articles.

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Lamps in various artistic forms, and shades for the same, Russian Brass Articles, Old Copper Pieces, Pewter, Antique China, Old English Glass, Decorative Novelties in Pottery of many kinds.

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Prices on application.

"The Antique Shop"

Price List for "Things Colonial"

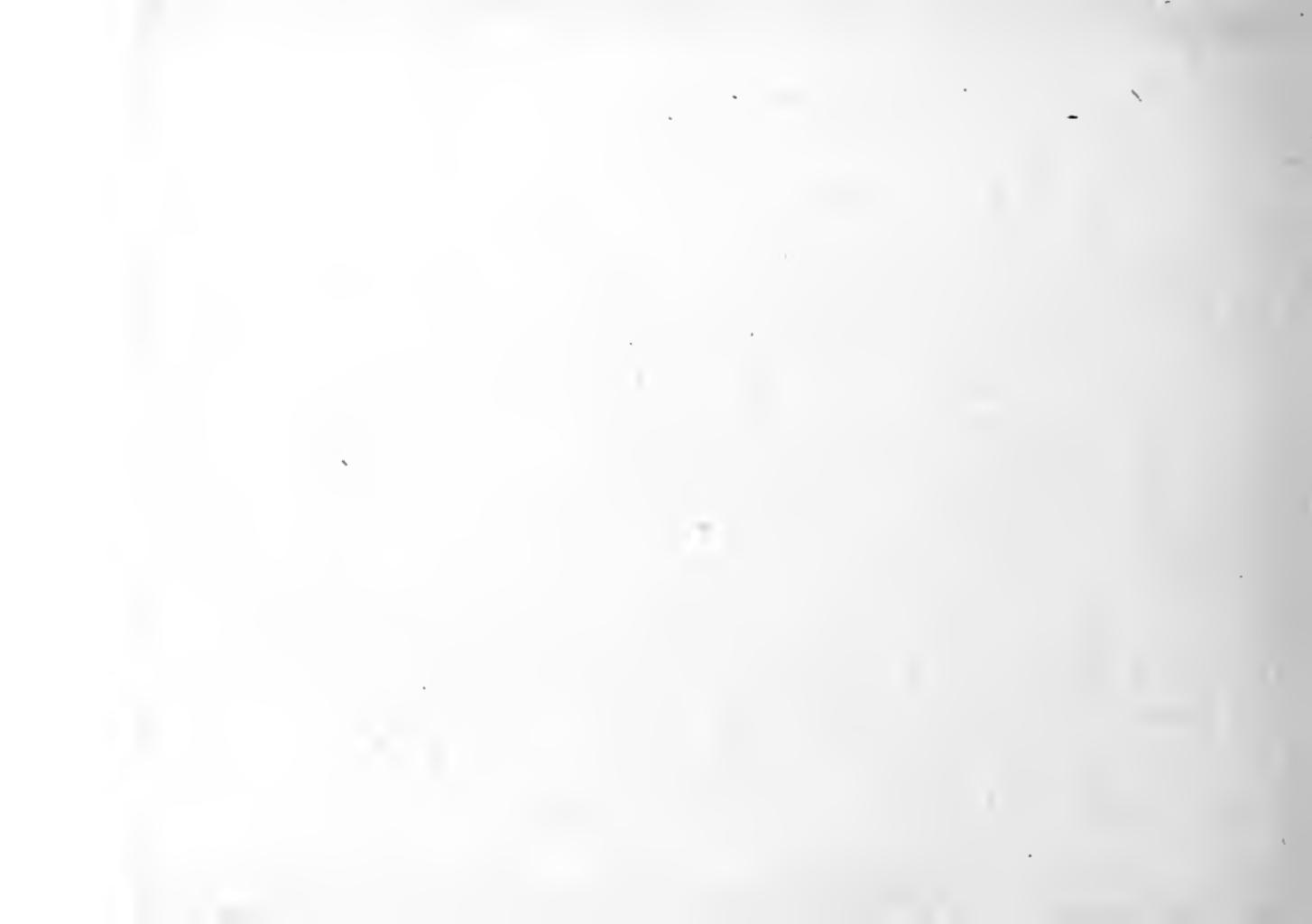
102	Sideboard	.	.	.	\$165.00	212	Arm Chair	\$ 22.50
105	*Arm Chair, in muslin	23	50			220	Hall Settle, in muslin	.	.	.	.	75.00
105	Side Chair, in muslin	20	00			231	Oval Writing Table	.	.	.	.	30.00
130	Martha Washington	.	.			235	Cheval	.	.	.	.	45.00
.	Sewing Table	30	00			250	Dresser	.	.	.	.	110.00
174	Console	.	.	.	60.00	252	Man's Chiffonier	.	.	.	.	135.00
180	*Bureau	.	.	.	85.00	253	Washington Library	.	.	.	.
181	Chiffonier	.	.	.	75.00	.	.	.	.	.	.	150.00
182	*Dresser	.	.	.	110.00	254	Glass Cabinet	.	.	.	.	95.00
187	Oval Table	.	.	.	20.00	262	Desk	.	.	.	.	70.00
188	*Square Table	.	.	.	20.00	278	Miniature High Boy	.	.	.	.	85.00
190	Arm Chair, in muslin	20	00			280	Sheraton Hanging	.	.	.	.
190	*Side Chair, in muslin	16	00			.	Cabinet	.	.	.	.	75.00
197	Hall Chair, in muslin	28	50			287	Roll End Couch	.	.	.	.	110.00
199	Dining Table	95	00			288	Cricket, in muslin	.	.	.	.	7.50
211	Twin Beds, per pair	260	00			303	Library Table	.	.	.	.	80.00

* Photographs sent upon request.

Nos. 180 and 182 are companion pieces to No. 181 Chiffonier.
We guarantee every piece to be exactly as represented. Prices are absolutely net. All goods packed without charge, and shipped F. O. B. Chicago.

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